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# MEDICAID MEMO

**TO:** Providers of Nursing Facility Services and Services in the Elderly or Disabled with Consumer Direction Waiver

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**MEMO:** Special

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**SUBJECT:** Revised Patient Pay Payment Processing for Claims Submitted by Providers of Long-Term Services and Supports in the Month of Transition from Nursing Facility to Elderly or Disabled with Consumer Direction (EDCD) Waiver — *Effective April 1, 2017*

Effective for dates of service on or after October 1, 2015, the Medicaid Management Information System (MMIS) has automatically reduced the final claims payment by the amount of patient pay for most providers of long-term services and supports. Patient pay is tracked monthly as claims are processed and is deducted from each claim for long-term services and supports included in the new patient pay processing on a first in (date of adjudication) first out basis until fully deducted. The provider whose claim is reduced for patient pay is responsible for collecting the patient pay. This change is described in detail in a Medicaid Memo dated September 2, 2015.

Providers in the EDCD waiver have reported difficulty in collecting patient pay in a month when an individual transfers from a nursing facility to the EDCD waiver. This primarily affects agency personal and respite care and adult day health care providers. DMAS has implemented changes effective for dates of service on or after April 1, 2017 to simplify responsibility for collecting patient pay in the transition month. For any month that an individual is enrolled in a nursing facility on the DMAS eligibility file, patient pay will be deducted only from nursing facility claims and not from agency personal care and respite care and adult day health care claims. This change is not retroactive.

For EDCD waiver individuals with a patient pay, the MMIS will deduct patient pay from the claims submitted by waiver providers for services following the transition month. It may take a short period of time for the local department of social services to revise the patient pay (reflecting a change in status from nursing facility to EDCD). This will result in the MMIS initially using a higher patient pay that will be adjusted by DMAS after the patient pay is revised. During this time, waiver or nursing facility providers will still be responsible for collection of identified patient pay amounts owed and should work together to collect the appropriate patient pay.

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### **MAGELLAN BEHAVIORAL HEALTH OF VIRGINIA (Behavioral Health Services Administrator)**

Providers of behavioral health services may check member eligibility, claims status, check status, service limits, and service authorizations by visiting [www.MagellanHealth.com/Provider](http://www.MagellanHealth.com/Provider). If you have any questions regarding behavioral health services, service authorization, or enrollment and credentialing as a Medicaid behavioral health service provider please contact Magellan Behavioral Health of Virginia toll free at 1-800-424-4046 or by visiting [www.magellanoofvirginia.com](http://www.magellanoofvirginia.com) or submitting questions to [VAProviderQuestions@MagellanHealth.com](mailto:VAProviderQuestions@MagellanHealth.com).

### **MANAGED CARE PROGRAMS**

Many Medicaid individuals are enrolled in one of the Department's managed care programs (Medallion 3.0, CCC and PACE). In order to be reimbursed for services provided to a managed care enrolled individual, providers must follow their respective contract with the managed care plan/PACE provider. The managed care plan/PACE provider may utilize different prior authorization, billing, and reimbursement guidelines than those described for Medicaid fee-for-service individuals. For more information, please contact the individual's managed care plan/PACE provider directly.

Contact information for managed care plans/PACE providers can be found on the DMAS website for each program as follows:

- Medallion 3.0: [http://www.dmas.virginia.gov/Content\\_pgs/mc-home.aspx](http://www.dmas.virginia.gov/Content_pgs/mc-home.aspx)
- Commonwealth Coordinated Care (CCC):  
[http://www.dmas.virginia.gov/Content\\_pgs/mmfa-isp.aspx](http://www.dmas.virginia.gov/Content_pgs/mmfa-isp.aspx)
- Commonwealth Coordinated Care Plus (CCC Plus):  
[http://www.dmas.virginia.gov/Content\\_pgs/mltss-proinfo.aspx](http://www.dmas.virginia.gov/Content_pgs/mltss-proinfo.aspx)
- Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE):  
[http://www.dmas.virginia.gov/Content\\_atchs/lrc/PACE%20Sites%20in%20VA.pdf](http://www.dmas.virginia.gov/Content_atchs/lrc/PACE%20Sites%20in%20VA.pdf)

### **VIRGINIA MEDICAID WEB PORTAL**

DMAS offers a web-based Internet option to access information regarding Medicaid or FAMIS member eligibility, claims status, payment status, service limits, service authorizations, and electronic copies of remittance advices. Providers must register through the Virginia Medicaid Web Portal in order to access this information. The Virginia Medicaid Web Portal can be accessed by going to: [www.virginiamedicaid.dmas.virginia.gov](http://www.virginiamedicaid.dmas.virginia.gov). If you have any questions regarding the Virginia Medicaid Web Portal, please contact the Conduent Government Healthcare Solutions Support Help desk toll free, at 1-866-352-0496 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, except holidays. The MediCall audio response system provides similar information and can be accessed by calling 1-800-884-9730 or 1-800-772-9996. Both options are available at no cost to the provider.

### **KEPRO PROVIDER PORTAL**

Providers may access service authorization information including status via KEPRO's Provider Portal at <http://dmas.kepro.com>.

**“HELPLINE”**

The “HELPLINE” is available to answer questions Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., except on holidays. The “HELPLINE” numbers are:

1-804-786-6273 Richmond area and out-of-state long distance

1-800-552-8627 All other areas (in-state, toll-free long distance)

Please remember that the “HELPLINE” is for provider use only. Please have your Medicaid Provider Identification Number available when you call.